

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/761,864 Confirmation No.: 3151  
Applicant : Richard P. WHITE, *et al.*  
Filed : January 20, 2004  
Title : AN UNSOLICITED MESSAGE DIVERTING COMMUNICATIONS  
: PROCESSOR  
Art Unit : 2444  
Examiner : Paul H. KANG  
Docket No. : EGT-005-1C

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on October 5, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections of record in view of the following amendments and remarks.<sup>1</sup>

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this Response.

*In sum, claims 1-15 are currently amended.*

*Claims 16 and 17 have been cancelled.*

*No claims have been added.*

*Claims 1-15 are pending.*

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this Reply.

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<sup>1</sup> Applicant respectfully submits that the finality of the rejections set forth in the Office Action is improper and premature under M.P.E.P. § 706.07(a), and accordingly requests the Examiner to deem the present Office Action to be a “non-final” Office Action. *See* Remarks § II, *infra*. Nonetheless, this Reply is submitted within the two-month period immediately following the mailing of a final Office Action as provided by the weekend grace period set forth in M.P.E.P. § 706.07(f)(A).